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SUBJECT: GSL minister cautiously optimistic on direction of peace process based on meeting with Tiger spokesman

Refs: (A) Oslo 1742; (B) Colombo 1391 (U) Classified by Ambassador E. Ashley Wills.

Reasons: 1.5 (b,d).

[¶1. \(C/NF\)](#)

Summary: In a July 31 meeting, Milinda Moragoda, a senior GSL minister, provided the Ambassador a detailed readout of his recent talks with Ant ----- Meeting in London -----

[¶2. \(C/NF\)](#) In a July 31 meeting with the Ambassador, Milinda Moragoda, a senior GSL minister, provided a detailed readout of his July 27 talks ----- Positive Atmospherics -----

[¶3. \(C/NF\)](#) Moragoda said the atmospherics of the meeting were excellent. The Tigers had requested the meeting and they seemed to want to make i ----- Discussion re Proposed Talks -----

[¶4. \(C/NF\)](#) On matters of substance, the talks were quite productive, according to Moragoda. He noted that there was a brief discussion of when

[¶5. \(C/NF\)](#) The two sides also discussed the scope of possible negotiations. Balasingham seemed intent that the proposed talks focus primarily on

[¶6. \(C/NF\)](#) In an interesting aside on the LTTE's long-term objectives, Balasingham told Moragoda that the Tigers were mulling over ideas such ----- Other Issues Covered -----

[¶7. \(C/NF\)](#) Moragoda said there was also a constructive give-and-take on a wide variety of additional subjects related to the peace process, including ----- Query re U.S. Visit -----

[¶8. \(C/NF\)](#) The LTTE side also wanted to know about Prime Minister Wickremesinghe's July 21-25 visit to the U.S., with Adele Balasingham specifying ----- Balasingham's Schedule -----

[¶9. \(C/NF\)](#) The London meeting wrapped up with a brief discussion of Balasingham's schedule. Balasingham said he would be in London until mid-August

[¶10. \(C/NF\)](#) Moragoda told the Ambassador that he had invited Balasingham to transit Colombo on his way to the north, but Balasingham had turned down ----- Comment -----

[¶11. \(C/NF\)](#) Overall, the London meeting seems to have provided a solid foundation for next steps in the peace process. Moragoda, for one, appears

[¶12. \(U\)](#) Minimize considered.

WILLS